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PERFORMING ARTS CENTER ★ SOUTH BEND, IN

## PEOPLE COMING FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO THE MORRIS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FOR MELODICROCK.COM CONCERT ON OCTOBER 6

People from around the world will be coming to The Morris Performing Arts Center in downtown South Bend to attend the MelodicRock.com 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert on Saturday, October 6. People from 6 countries have purchased tickets and are coming from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Great Britain, Italy and Japan. People from 34 of 50 states from coast to coast (New Jersey and New York to California) have purchased tickets. People coming to downtown South Bend from across the country and around the world will add to the economic impact for downtown businesses and hotel-motel taxes received.

Promoter Andrew McNeice is organizing the international rock concert to celebrate MelodicRock.com's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. McNeice runs the popular website from his home office in Kingston, Australia. The website has racked up more than 27 million hits over the past decade.

The event will be an all-day rock concert starting at 2:00 p.m. and planned to go until almost midnight. The concert is headlined by the all-star band Scrap Metal – Kelly Keagy (Night Ranger), Gunnar and Matthew Nelson (Nelson), Mark Slaughter (Slaughter), Eric Martin (Mr. Big), Dave Marshall (Vince Neil Band) and Gary Corbett (Lou Gramm Band, Cinderella) playing a 3-hour set featuring hits like Survivor's *Eye of the Tiger* and Mr. Big's *To Be with You*. They will be joined on stage by Jeff Scott Soto, Kevin Chalfant Band, 7<sup>th</sup> Heaven, Martie Peters Group, Goodbye Thrill, and First Round Knockout. Tickets are available by visiting or calling the Morris Box Office at 574-235-9190 or 800-537-6415 or online at <a href="www.MorrisCenter.org">www.MorrisCenter.org</a>.

The Morris was built in 1921, is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and completed a restoration and renovation process in 2000 with a new state-of-the-art stage house and the interior restored to its original vaudeville splendor. The theater hosts a wide variety of concerts, national Broadway touring musicals, symphony, dance, comedians, and is home to the South Bend Symphony Orchestra and Broadway Theatre League. The Morris has a seating capacity of 2,560 and is consistently ranked by Pollstar concert industry magazine among the top 50 theaters worldwide. The Morris is the HOTTEST TICKET in Northwest Indiana for live entertainment with the Palais Royale being South Bend's premier banquet facility! Visit The Morris and Palais

Royale websites at  $\underline{www.MorrisCenter.org}$  and  $\underline{www.PalaisRoyale.org}$  for a full calendar of events and services.